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THE LAST

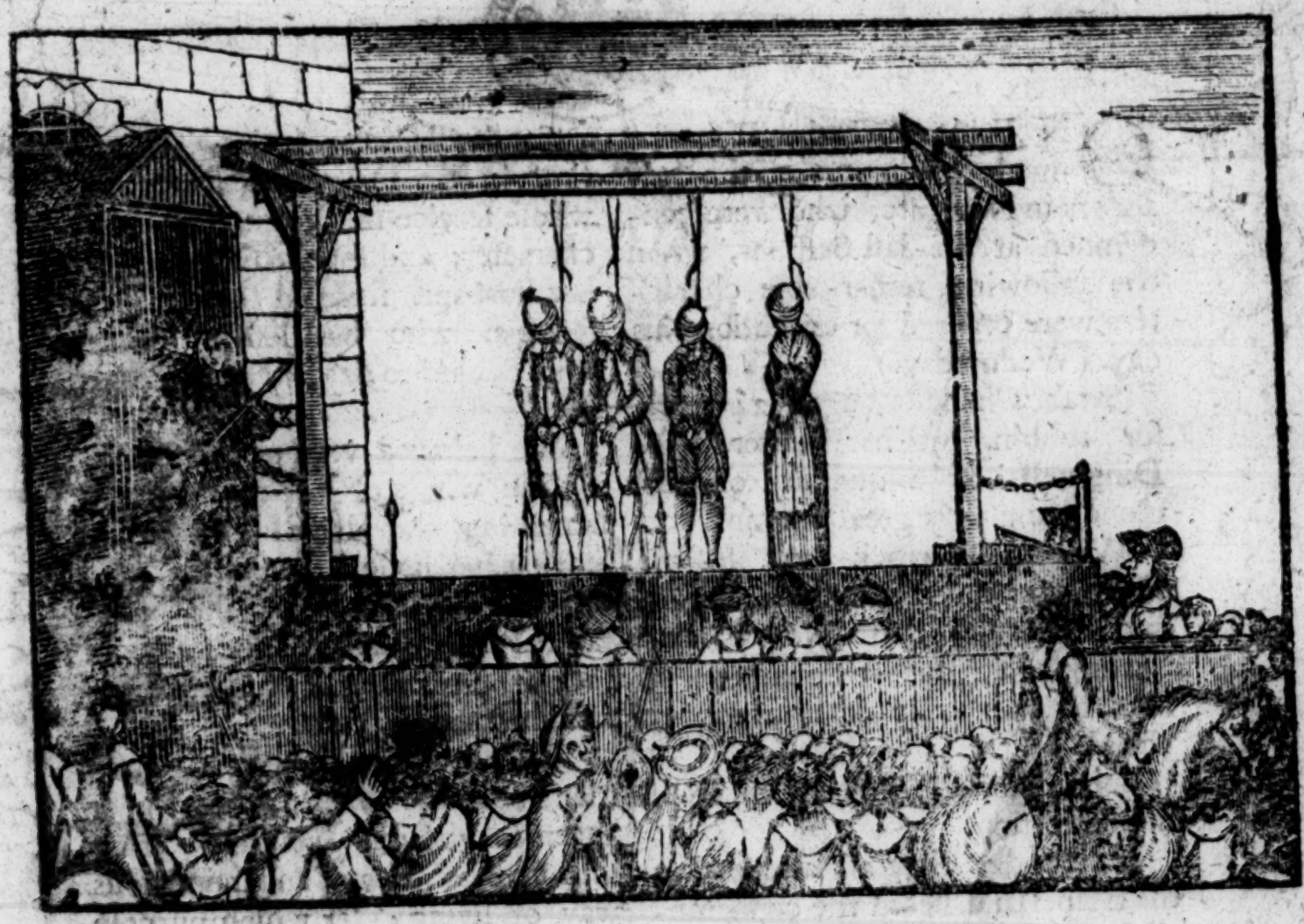
Dying Speech and Confeſſion, Birth, Parentage, and Behaviour,

Of the FOUR unfortunate

MALEFACTORS,

Executed this Day before the Debtor's Door, Newgate.

Alſo a Copy of a Letter that Joſeph Gabriel ſent to his Sweetheart the Night before his Execution.



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The laſt Dying Speech, &c.

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ON Friday laſt the Recorder made his report of the Priſoners in Newgate, who were condemned at the laſt Seſſions, when the following remarkable characters were ordered for execution this day (Wedneſday.)

Sarah Chandler, aged 24 years, for robbing of her maſter, Mr. Dingwell, of a quantity of diamonds to a very great amount.

William Parrock and Joſeph Smith, for burglarioufly breaking into the houſe of Mr. Nourſe, and ſtealing thereout a quantity of lace to the value of upwards of 1000l.

John Gabriel, for returning from tranſportation.

On Sunday they all attended in the chapel and heard the condemned ſermon, were very penitent, and received the ſacrament.

Sarah Chandler had lived ſome time in Mr. Dingwall's family, in whoſe ſervice ſhe got under a falſe character, and for the ſame robbery her husband ſuffered the laſt Seſſeſſions, who has left an infant child behind to deplore her unhappy fate.

She behaved very penitent during the whole of her confinement, lamenting the dreadful event of leaving her little babe behind, and on entering the ſcaffold ſhe almoſt fainted away, at the appearance of ſuch a number of ſpectators to behold her unhappy fate.

William Parrock was a young man, born of honeſt, though poor parents, who endeavoured to bring him up in an honeſt and induſtrious way of living; for which purpoſe they put him out apprentice, but he ſoon quitted his maſter's ſervice

and took to those evil ways which have ended in his untimely end.

While under ſentence of death he behaved every way becoming his unhappy ſituation.

On the fatal ſcaffold he behaved with courage and fortitude, and ſaid he forgave his proſecutors, as he hoped to obtain forgiveneſs from Almighty God.

Juſt before he was turned off, he ſaid, " Pray for my ſoul, O good " people, that I may enter into " everlaſting happineſs."

Joſeph Smith was a young man, about 27 years of age, was born of very honeſt and reſpectable parents, but owing to his keeping company with bad women, has brought him to this untimely end.

He warned all young men who may have committed crimes, and eſcaped the hand of juſtice, to refrain from all diſhoneſt practices, as they would bring on them a ſhameful death.

Joſeph Gabriel was about 30 years of age, born of honeſt and induſtrious parents, but being habituated to thieving, for which he was tranſported, but being found at large before the expiration of his time, he has ſuffered according to the law of the land.

Since his return he has practiſed a number of ingenious devices on the public, and always with ſucceſs, till the unlucky affair of his being detected in a houſe of ill fame, being known by one of the Bow-ſtreet runners.

A ſhort time before they were launched into eternity, Joſeph Gabriel held a converſation for a few moments with a friend of the name of William Roſe when, on their ſeparation, he exclaimed, " My dear friend---!" Being ſo agitated in his mind prevented him from proceeding, when ſhortly after the miniſter leaving them, they were launched into eternity.

On the fatal ſcaffold he behaved he behaved himſelf becoming his deplorable ſituation.

It ſhould not be omitted, that he wrote a letter to a young woman with whom he kept company with, the night before his execution, from the cells of Newgate, of which the following is a true Copy.

" *Dear Kitty,*

" *Pierced to the heart with the deepeſt remorſe and ſorrow, for having deluded your innocent heart, I dare not ask your forgiveneſs---yet I cannot die without it. Is it poſſible, my deareſt Kitty, that you can grant it.*

" *I know great is the injury I have done you, accumulated miſery and ſhame have I brorght upon you, and no means of atonement for me*

to make; but while I have life my fervent prayer ſhall be for your future happineſs! And, O! my dear, could I believe you would forgive me, and pray for me, I ſhould die happy, for the prayer of the righteous prevaileth much.

" I am,
" Dear girl,
" Your unhappy lover,
" Till death,
J. GABRIEL."

Newgate,
May 10.

The night before they ſuffered, the bellman came into the preſs-yard, at 9 o'clock, and after ringing the bell, pronounced the admonition verſes, reminding them of their dreadful ſituation, and exhorting them to watch and pray, that they may might obtain forgiveneſs of their ſins.

The fatal day being come, on which they were to undergo their dreadful ſentence, at 5 o'clock the doors of their cells were unlocked, and they ſoon after went up to the chapel, where they joined in prayers and ſupplications to th Divine Majeſty, and then received the ſacrament.

They were then ſummoned to their fate, and came down into the preſs-yard, where their irons were knocked off; they were then haltered, and brought upon the ſcaffold, when the executioner having tied them up, the Ordinary prayed with them for ſome time, and then took his leave; the caps were pulled over their eyes, the ſheriff gave a ſignal, when the ſcaffold ſunk down, and they were launched into everlaſting happineſs or miſery.

After hanging the uſual time, their bodies were cut down, and delivered to their friends for interment.

The concourſe of people to witneſs this melancholy occaſion was very numerous; the Old *B*ailey was crowded long before the unfortunate ſufferers were brought forth, and they appeared much affected by the dreadful ſcene then before them.

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